

Welcome Letter

Dear Prospective Member,

Thank you for your interest in the Boeing Employees' Astronomical Society (BEAS). This information packet was designed to provide essential information as you ponder your prospective membership. In it you will find the following items:

- BEAS Overview Information
- Meeting Information
- BEAS Contact Information
- Membership Application
- Release and Indemnity Agreement
- Map to Boeing's Oxbow Recreation Center

BEAS actively promotes science and learning in our schools through classroom instruction, star gazing, and active support of Project AstroBio.

This year, BEAS-sponsored star parties and events will be hosted all around the Puget Sound area. Some of our members will also participate in multi-state star parties and in Messier marathons in Arizona, California and Texas.

Please feel free to contact me at any time with any questions you might have.

Sincerest Regards,

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General Information**BEAS Overview**

Chartered with Boeing Recreation in 1979, BEAS is comprised of men and women, who strive to foster an interest in astronomy at all levels, from the beginner to the accomplished amateur. BEAS promotes all aspects of astronomy, including telescope design, telescope construction, theoretical astronomy, practical astronomy, observing and astrophotography. BEAS activities include star parties, lectures, demonstrations, films, demonstrations, field trips and social events. BEAS also maintains a large inventory of telescopes, which may be checked out by the membership as well as an extensive astronomical library.

BEAS is well known in astronomy circles throughout the Pacific Northwest for its participation in and support of a wide variety of events such as National Astronomy Day, Project AstroBio, StarFest, and numerous star parties held around the area. During the summer months BEAS holds monthly star parties at its dark sky observing site located at Peoh Point near Cle Elum, Washington. Local star parties are held as well when the weather permits.

Meeting Information

BEAS holds regular monthly meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Oxbow Activity Center. Meetings are held in Room 201 (upstairs). Oxbow is located in the 9-150 building just west of the Duwamish River and south of the Developmental Center at Boeing Field in Seattle, Washington.

BEAS Contact Information

David Ingram is the BEAS New Member Chairperson. Please contact Dave with any questions you might have. Dave can be emailed at ingramdw@hotmail.com.

If you mail your membership form in, please send it to the BEAS Treasurer listed on the bottom of the BEAS Membership Application.

Membership Application

The BEAS Membership Application (page 3) is attached. This information is kept secure and is used to populate our database and set your email preferences.

Release and Indemnity Agreement

The Release and Indemnity Agreement (page 4) is a binding contractual document that must be completed and submitted with your dues and a completed Membership Application in order for us to process your membership request.

Map to Oxbow

A map to the Oxbow Recreation Center (page 5) is attached. Please note that a Boeing badge is required to access the facility. If you are qualified for membership (such as a retiree or associate member) and do not have a Boeing badge, please coordinate your arrival at Oxbow with Dave Ingram. Dave will assist you in getting an entry badge.

Membership Application**Membership in the Boeing Employees' Astronomical Society is open to:**

- Boeing company employees, laid off employees and retirees.
- Spouses and dependents of Boeing employees and retirees.
- Government, customer, vendor and contract personnel who carry a Boeing issued badge and are assigned full-time support to The Boeing Company, their spouses and dependents.

Date: _____**Name:** _____
(Last, First, MI)**Home Address:** _____
(Street)

(City, State, Zip)**Telephone:** _____
(Work) (Home) (Cell)**Boeing Work Location:** _____ M/S: _____
(i.e. Kent, Renton, Longacres, Duwamish, Bellevue, Everett, etc.)**Home E-Mail Address:** _____**Work E-Mail Address:** _____**Name(s) of Dependent Members:** _____**Newsletter Send To Preference?** Home Email ☐ Work Email ☐ Read from Web ☐ US Mail ☐ Boeing M/S ☐**Do you own a telescope?** Yes ☐ No ☐**If yes, what type of telescope do you own?** _____**Would you be willing to assist in the planning and organizing of star parties and events?** Yes ☐ No ☐**Do you have a pickup or van in which you would be willing to move club equipment?** Yes ☐ No ☐

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	Individual/Family membership (applies to active Boeing badge holders only)	\$20.00	
	Associate membership (applies to laid off or non-Boeing persons only)	\$20.00	
	Retiree membership (applies to retired Boeing employees only)	\$8.00	
	Astronomy Magazine one year subscription (optional)	\$34.00	
	Astronomy Magazine two year subscription (optional)	\$60.00	
	Sky & Telescope Magazine one year subscription (optional)	\$32.95	
	Total		

Checks should be made out to: Boeing Employees' Astronomical Society**Send your check for the total amount along with the Membership Application and Release and Indemnity Agreement both properly filled out to:** Rich Swingler at M/S 2R-87**Or mail to:** Boeing Employees' Astronomical Society
c/o Rich Swingler, Treasurer
P.O. Box 3707, M/S 2R-87
Seattle, WA 98124-2207**Important:** *The Release and Indemnity Agreement must be completed, signed and turned in with your dues and BEAS Membership Application in order to process your request for BEAS membership.*

Release and Indemnity Agreement

I state that I wish to participate in courses and/or activities offered by the Boeing Employees' Astronomical Society, a Boeing Club, (hereafter referred to as the "Astronomy Club"). I RECOGNIZE THAT ANY ASTRONOMY CLUB ACTIVITIES INVOLVE CERTAIN RISKS. I certify that I am aware of all the inherent risks of Astronomy Club activities including but not limited to illness in remote areas without medical facilities, the action of other members, any participants or any other persons, all of which could result in personal injury, including death, property damage or other losses.

In consideration for the right to participate in Astronomy Club activities, I HERBY RELEASE THE ASTRONOMY CLUB DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, INSTRUCTORS AND MEMBERS, AND THE BOEING COMPANY AND IT'S DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION ARISING OUT OF EVENTS THAT ARE IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH MY PARTICIPATION IN ANY ASTRONOMY CLUB ACTIVITIES. I PERSONALLY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE ASTRONOMY CLUB AND ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, INSTRUCTORS AND MEMBERS AND THE BOEING COMPANY AND ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION WHICH MAY HAVE ARISEN FROM MY PARTICIPATION IN ASTRONOMY CLUB ACTIVITIES. The terms of this agreement will also act as a release and indemnity agreement for my heirs, personal representative, and for all members of my family, including minors.

I further state that I am eighteen (18) years of age or older and am legally competent to sign this release, that I understand this release is contractual and not a mere recital, and that I have signed this document as my own free act. (Parents or legal guardians must sign for persons under eighteen (18) years of age.)

I HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY BY READING AND SIGNING IT.

Name (print)

Signature

Date

Spouse name (print)

Signature

Date

Dependent's name (print)

Signature¹

Date

Dependent's name (print)

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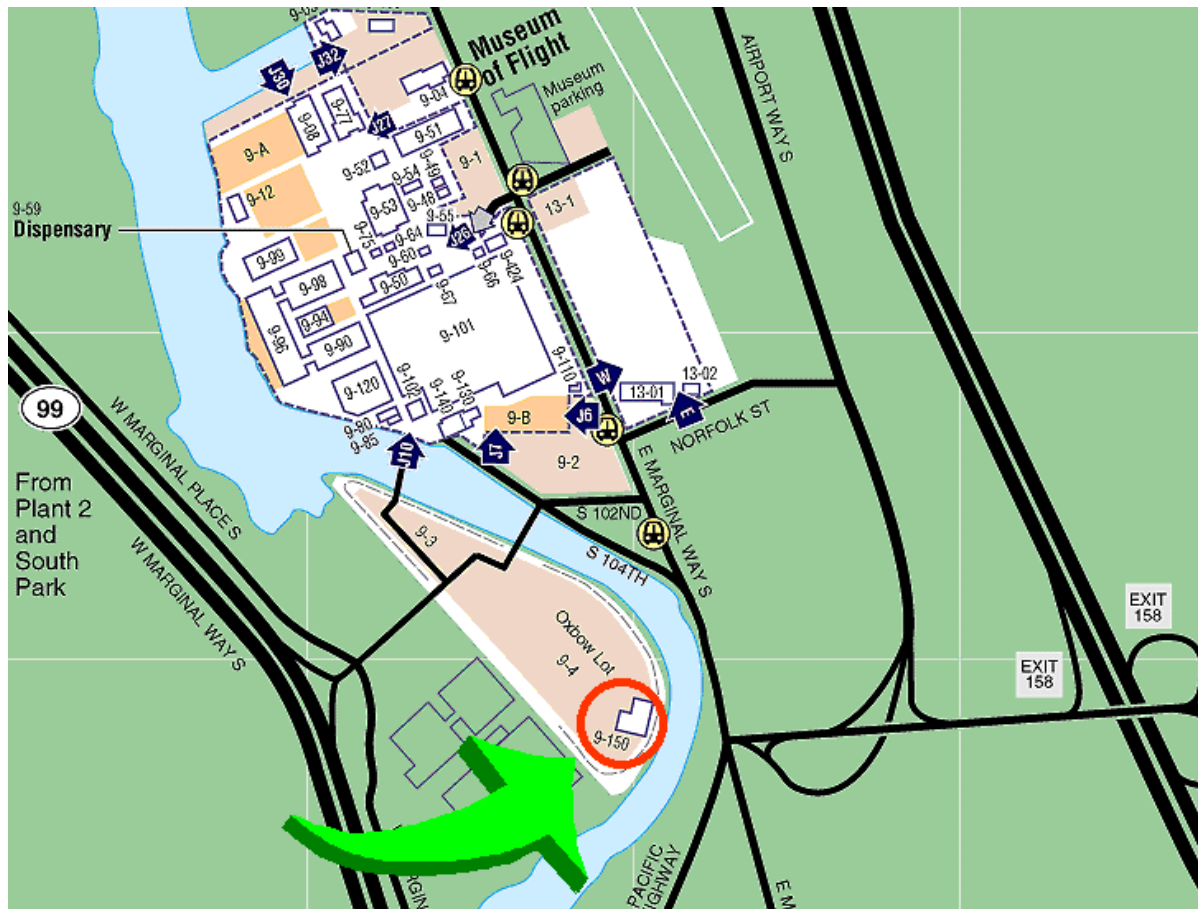
Dependent's name (print)

Signature¹

Date

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Map to Oxbow Recreation Center



Meeting Time/Place:
Boeing Employees' Astronomical Society
2nd Thursday of each month, 7:00PM
Oxbow Recreation Center, Room 201 (upstairs)

Directions:

1. From I-5 northbound or southbound take Exit 158 at Boeing Field.
2. Proceed west 1/4 mile and turn north onto East Marginal Way.
3. Proceed 1/4 mile north and make a left turn at South 102nd.
4. Drive over the Oxbow Bridge and follow the road as it turns left.
5. The Oxbow Recreation Center (9-150 building) is at the south end of the parking lot.

Note: A Boeing Badge or Activity Badge is required for entry.